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FORD TEMPO





## TEMPO LX

Certainly a car's standard equipment plays a major role in the buying decision. However, discerning buyers look beyond that. They look for quality. The solid "thunk" of a closing door or trunk. They check the feel of the car on the road. How it handles. Then they compare standard equipment.

They're after a total package of value. Ford Tempo offers just that kind of value in a variety of well-equipped models.

Tempo LX is one version. It comes equipped with plush interior appointments such as luxury weight carpeting and luxury cloth seat trim with seat back map pockets. The seat backs recline and there is a front center fold-down armrest to complement the handy center console.

Other features that also add value are a five-position tilt steering wheel; power door locks, remote decklid and fuel filler door releases; dual electric remote control mirrors; sport instrument cluster with tachometer and trip odometer; front center armrest; and front and rear floor mats. To help keep packages in the trunk from sliding around, there's a cargo net.

There's even more value in LX engineering. A special touring suspension helps provide a controlled ride. The four-wheel independent suspension uses nitrogen gas-pressurized hydraulic struts and performance radials to enhance handling.

*The Tempo LX, shown here in Crystal Blue Clearcoat Metallic, includes value features like tilt steering wheel, dual electric mirrors, power door locks and more.*





## LX CONTROL AND COMFORT

The value of Ford Tempo is also evident in the interior where you'll find the attention to detail noteworthy.

Major controls are positioned within easy reach and in clear view. Rotary controls and switches are all strategically placed at your fingertips.

The gauges in Tempo are large and easy to read. With the headlights on, the gauges are backlit with lighted pointers for good night visibility.

The climate control system features pushbutton controls for easy operation. Air conditioning is available as an option and is also included in several Preferred Equipment Packages.

Tempo comes equipped with an automatic shoulder belt motorized restraint system for front seat occupants. All you have to do is buckle your manual lap belt.

Or, if you prefer, order the driver-side air bag supplemental restraint system (illustrated on the facing page). The supplemental restraint system is available for Tempo GL and LX 4-door models and includes, in addition to the air bag, manual lap/shoulder belts for the driver and the front seat passenger. And all Tempo 4-door models include child-proof rear door locks.

For entertainment, the Tempo line-up includes a choice of two stereo systems, both electronically-tuned. There's the standard electronic AM/FM stereo radio in GL, LX and Four-Wheel Drive models or the optional electronic AM/FM stereo with cassette tape player (standard in GLS). Both systems feature seek tuning, 18 presets, local/distant switch, digital clock, four speakers and Dolby® noise reduction for the cassette.

*The layout of Tempo's command center places major controls within easy reach. Gauges are in clear view and are easy to read.*



*The Tempo LX interior, shown here in Titanium, includes luxury weight carpeting and seat trim material. The seat backs recline and include seat back map pockets.*



*From initial impact to full deployment, the drivers-side air bag, illustrated here, inflates in less than 1/10 of a second. The air bag system is designed to supplement, not replace, safety belts, which are still the most effective safety device available.*



## TEMPO FOUR WHEEL DRIVE

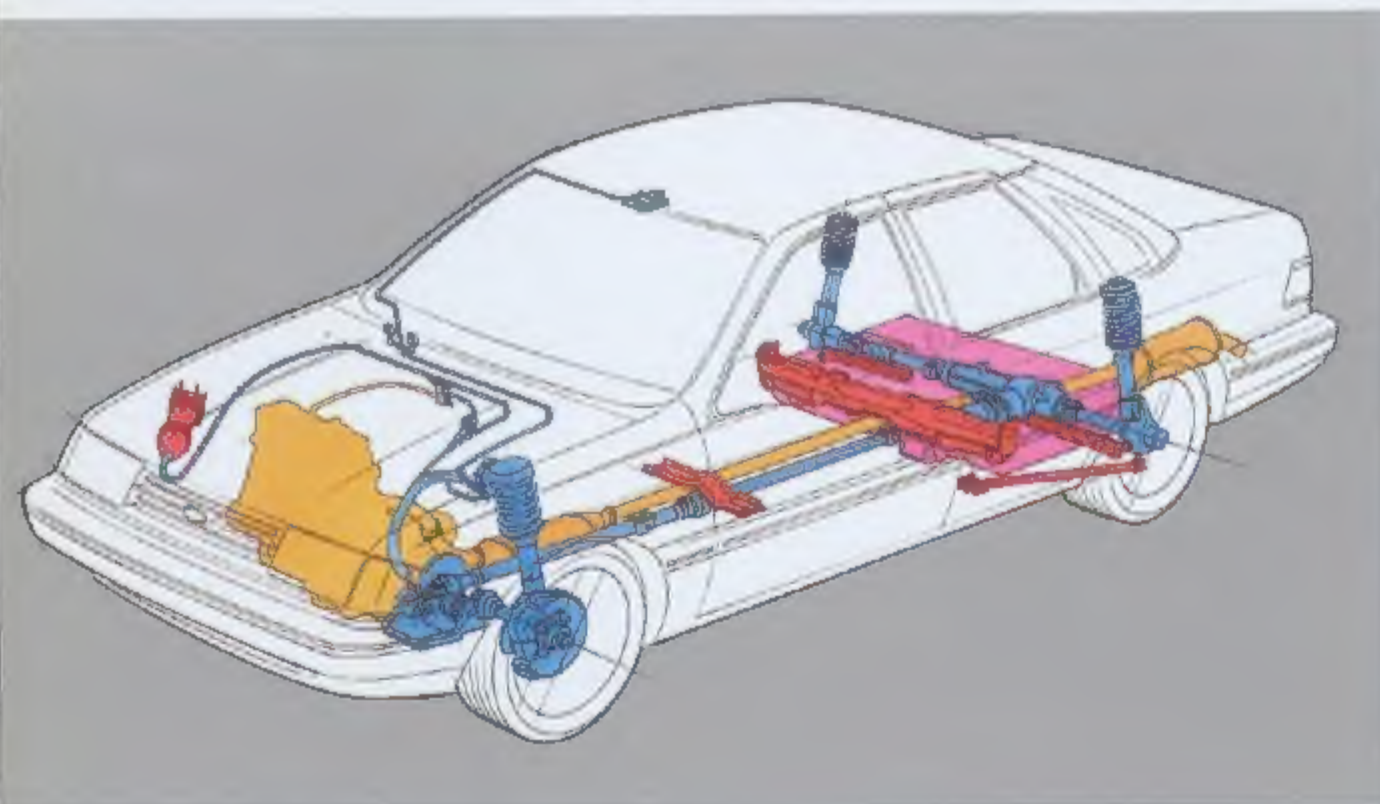
Tempo Four Wheel Drive features the luxury of the Tempo LX and adds the "on-demand" traction of four driving wheels.

For power, Four Wheel Drive models include the Higher Specific Output (HSO) engine of the sporty GLS combined with a standard automatic transaxle.

The Tempo Four Wheel Drive system is a "part time" system. That simply means power is normally supplied to the front wheels only and that you supply power to all four wheels whenever road conditions warrant. The greatest part about it is that the extra traction and security of four driving wheels is all accomplished with the simple push of a button.

Inside Tempo Four Wheel Drive, you'll find comfort and luxury similar to that of the top-line LX. Including the luxury level carpeting, seat and door trim material, full instrumentation, AM/FM stereo and more.

There is also a Preferred Equipment Package designed especially for Tempo Four Wheel Drive models. See the chart on page 15.



*It's important to remember, Tempo Four Wheel Drive is not designed for off-road use. It's designed for on-road use where you and your family will need it most. The Four Wheel Drive Tempo is shown here in Wild Strawberry Clearcoat Metallic.*



## TEMPO GL

If you're looking for excellent driveability, quality, and affordability, you need not look beyond Tempo GL. Great all-around value—that's what Tempo GL is all about.

GL has front-wheel drive, a 4-wheel independent suspension with nitrogen gas-pressurized hydraulic struts, power assisted rack-and-pinion steering for excellent handling, and a responsive electronically controlled multiple-port fuel-injected 2.3L 4-cylinder engine.

Inside, Tempo has the look and feel of quality. It has five passenger comfort and a computer-refined interior that makes the most use of available space. The standard front bucket seats are contoured and the seat backs recline for comfortable driver and passenger positioning.

The instrument panel features easy-to-read backlit gauges. The climate control system includes four adjustable panel registers and side window demisters. Rear seat outboard passengers enjoy the security of lap/shoulder safety belts and 4-door models include rear child-proof door locks.

Also standard are the electronic AM/FM stereo radio with integral digital clock and the center console.

Add up everything for yourself and you'll find that Tempo GL, feature for feature, is one of the best cars for the money on the road today.

*Tempo GL 2-door in Titanium Frost Clearcoat Metallic. The polycast wheels shown are among the many features in the Preferred Equipment Package 226A.*



*Tempo GL 4-door in Medium Red with Package 226A. Some equipment shown on these pages is optional.*



## TEMPO GLS

Tempo's flair for fun is evident in the distinctive looks of the GLS model. Choose one of the special GLS two-tone paint combinations. Round out the sporty look with standard cast aluminum wheels, black side wall performance radials and other blackout appearance cues. And on GLS 2-door models, a rear decklid spoiler is also standard.

Under the skin of the GLS are a host of other attractive performance features. For instance, the performance radials are attached to a special touring suspension system that includes modified spring rates, front stabilizer bar and nitrogen gas-pressurized hydraulic struts.

Under the hood sits a 2.3L HSO (Higher Specific Output) engine with multiple-port electronic fuel injection. Helping to make the most of the extra power provided by the HSO engine is the standard 5-speed manual transaxle. Even the final drive gearing on the 5-speed manual is different to suit a more sporty attitude.

*The HSO (Higher Specific Output) engine is equipped with a computer-controlled multiple-port electronic fuel injection system.*



*The sporting attitude of Tempo is displayed here in the Tempo GLS 2-door in Oxford White over lower accent treatment of Light Titanium Clearcoat Metallic.*





## TEMPO GLS

Inside the Tempo GLS you'll find ample evidence of its performance attitude. The sport bucket seats have high density foam pads in the side bolsters for good lateral support through turns. The lumbar support is power adjustable to optimize comfort for the lower back.

Other notable features in GLS are the leather-wrapped steering wheel, sport instrument cluster with tachometer and electronically tuned AM/FM stereo radio with cassette tape player and Dolby® noise reduction.

A Preferred Equipment Package has been put together for GLS models that pushes interior enjoyment to another level. It includes air conditioning, tilt steering wheel, power locks, speed control, power driver's seat and premium sound with 80 watts of power.

*The Tempo GLS interior, shown here in Scarlet Red, includes equipment from Package 229A.*



*Tempo GLS 4-door in Medium Titanium with lower accent paint treatment of Light Titanium Clearcoat Metallic.*





FEATURES, OPTIONS AND PREFERRED EQUIPMENT PACKAGES



(A) Electronic AM/FM stereo radio with cassette tape player. Standard on GLS.  
 (B) Decklid luggage rack. Optional on all models; included in Preferred Equipment Package 233A.  
 (C) Speed control. Tactile controls are located at your fingertips.  
 (D) Wheel covers/wheels, left to right: Deluxe wheel covers (standard on GL); Polycast wheels (standard on LX, Four-Wheel Drive and optional on GL); Seven spoke cast aluminum wheels (standard on GLS).

COLORS AND TRIMS				
GL, LX AND FOUR WD				
Exterior Paint Colors	Interior Trim Colors			
	Titanium	Crystal Blue	Scarlet Red	Light Sandalwood
Alabaster				X
Medium Red	X		X	
Bright Red (1)	X		X	
Light Blue		X		
Bright Regatta Blue Metallic (1)	X	X		
Black	X		X	X
Light Titanium (1)	X	X	X	
Dark Titanium Metallic (1)	X		X	
Oxford White	X	X	X	X
CLEARCOAT METALLIC (2)				
Sandalwood Frost				X
Sandalwood				X
Wild Strawberry	X		X	
Crystal Blue		X		
Twilight Blue	X	X		
Medium Titanium	X		X	
Titanium Frost	X	X	X	
GLS				
Exterior Paint Colors / Lower Accent Treatment	Interior Trim Colors			
	Titanium	Crystal Blue	Scarlet Red	Light Sandalwood
Medium Red / Light Titanium	X		X	
Black / Medium Titanium	X		X	X
Oxford White / Light Titanium	X	X	X	X
CLEARCOAT METALLIC (2)				
Wild Strawberry / Light Titanium	X		X	
Twilight Blue / Light Titanium	X	X		
Medium Titanium / Light Titanium	X		X	
Titanium Frost / Medium Titanium	X		X	

(1) Available on GL, LX and Four WD. 4-door models without supplemental restraint system.  
 (2) Extra cost paint.

SPECIFICATIONS	
Engine type	2.3L overhead valve in-line 4-cylinder
Compression ratio	9.0:1
Injection system	Electronic fuel injection, multiple-port
Fuel tank	15.9 gallons (14.2 in Four-Wheel Drive)
Transaxle	5-speed manual (3-speed FLC automatic in Four-Wheel Drive and selected Preferred Equipment Packages)
Front suspension	Independent MacPherson strut front drive with dual path strut-mounted coil springs, forged lower control arms and cast steering knuckles, gas-pressurized hydraulic struts
Rear suspension	Parallel four bar fully independent MacPherson strut with coil spring offset on shock strut; parallel suspension arms and tension strut, gas-pressurized hydraulic struts
Steering	Power rack-and-pinion, 18.3:1 ratio on center
Brakes	Power front disc/rear drum, dual hydraulic split diagonal, pin-slider-type
Wheels	Deluxe covers on GL Polycast wheels on LX and Four-Wheel Drive 7-spoke aluminum with locking lug nuts on GLS
Tires	P185/70R14 BSW all-season on GL P185/70R14 BSW Performance/all-season on LX Four-Wheel Drive and GLS

OPTIONS AND PREFERRED EQUIPMENT PACKAGES

Note: Package content is subject to change.

X = Included in package  
 S = Standard O = Optional

	GL 224A	GL 225B	GL 226A	SRS GL 4-DOOR 227A	GLS 229A	LX 233A	FOUR WD 232A
Manual air conditioning	O	X	X	X	X	X	O
Light group: ashtray, glovebox, engine compartment and map lights, plus door switches for dome light	O	X	X	X	S	S	S
Dual electric remote-control mirrors	O	X	X	X	S	S	S
Tilt steering wheel	O	X	X		X	S	X
Front center armrest	O	O	X	X	S	S	
Rear window defroster	O	O	X	X	O	X	X
Front and rear floor mats	O	O	X	X	S	S	S
Power lock group: power door locks, power decklid release, and remote fuel door release	O	O	X	X	X	S	X
Electronic AM/FM stereo radio with cassette tape player and digital clock	O	O	X	O	S	X	X
Automatic transaxle	O	O	X	X	O	X	S
Polycast wheels	O	O	X	O		S	S
Driver-side air bag supplemental restraint system (1)				X		O	
Speed control	O	O	O		X	O	O
Power driver's seat		O	O	O	X	O	O
Premium sound system: four speakers and higher output amplifier		O	O	O	X	O	O
Decklid luggage rack (2)	O	O	O	O	O	X	O
Power side windows (3)		O	O	O	O	O	X
2.3L HSC/5-speed manual	S	S	S	S		S	
2.3L HSC/automatic	O	O	X	X		X	
2.3L HSO/5-speed manual					S		
2.3L HSO/automatic					O		S
P185/70R14 BSW	S	S	S	S			
P185/70R14 WSW		O	O	O			
P185/70R14 performance BSW					S	S	S
P184/70R14 performance WSW						O	O
Cloth low-back bucket seats	S	S	S	S			
Cloth sport performance bucket seats					S		
Upgraded cloth low-back bucket seats						S	S
Sport instrument cluster: tachometer and trip odometer		O	O	O	S	S	S
Clearcoat paint	O	O	O	O	O	O	O
Radio credit option	O	O	O	O	O	O	O

(1) Available only on 4-door GL or LX model with automatic transaxle. Includes manually operated lap/shoulder belts. Not available with tilt steering wheel or speed control. (2) Charcoal color on GLS; bright on other models. Not available on 2-door GLS. (3) 4-door model only.

MEASUREMENTS

	2-DR./4-DR.
Wheelbase	99.9"
Length	176.7"/177.0"
Height	52.8"/52.9"
Width	68.3"
Front tread	54.9"
Rear tread	57.6"
Cargo volume (cu. ft.)	13.2/12.9
Passengers	5

MAJOR STANDARD FEATURES

Exterior

- Aerodynamic halogen headlamps
- Wraparound taillamps/back-up lights
- Dual full-surround upper molding system (4-door)
- High-mount brake lamp

Interior

- Ashtrays, front and rear
- Automatic front seat shoulder belt restraint system with manual lap belts
- Manual rear lap/shoulder belt for outboard seating positions; lap belt for center occupant
- Lockable glove box
- Console
- Footwell illumination and luggage compartment light
- Cigarette lighter
- Day/night rearview mirror
- Dual visor mirrors with covers
- Color-keyed steering wheel
- Instrument panel — includes backlit cluster, lighted pointers, temperature gauge, pod-mounted rotary windshield wiper switch, rotary climate control fan switch, positive air duct shut-offs
- Electronic AM/FM stereo radio with integral digital clock (may be deleted for credit)
- Low back front bucket seats

Functional

- Heavy-duty maintenance-free battery
- Side window demisters
- Inside hood release
- Luxury sound insulation
- Electronic engine controls (EEC-IV)
- Electronic ignition
- Tinted glass
- Variable-speed interval wipers



#### 5-YEAR/100,000-MILE CORROSION PROTECTION

Tempo's corrosion warranty coverage for outer body panel rust-through is 5 years or 100,000 miles, whichever comes first. See your Ford Dealer for a copy of this limited warranty.

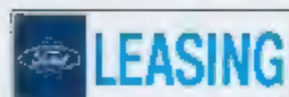


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